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Amendments to the Claims:

A listing of the entire set of pending claims (including amendments to the claims, if any) is submitted herewith per 37 CFR 1.121. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A pocket comprising:

a restrictor that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects into, or removal of objects from the pocket,

the restrictor being controllable to apply a restricting action on the occurrence of an electronic enabling signal.

2. (Original) The pocket of claim 1 wherein

the enabling signal is generated at the command of a user.

3. (Original) The pocket of claim 1 wherein

the enabling signal is generated in response to output signal status of at least one sensor.

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4. (Currently amended) ~~The pocket of claim 3~~ A pocket comprising:
a restrictor that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects into, or removal
of objects from the pocket,
the restrictor being controllable to apply a restricting action on the occurrence
of an electronic enabling signal,
wherein:
the enabling signal is generated in response to output signal status of at least
one sensor,
the sensor is an orientation sensor arranged to produce an output signal
dependent on the orientation of the pocket, and
the output signal initiating generation of the enabling signal when the pocket
adopts an orientation in which it is possible that objects placed in the pocket will fall
out.

5. (Currently amended) ~~The pocket of claim 3~~ A pocket comprising:
a restrictor that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects into, or removal
of objects from the pocket,
the restrictor being controllable to apply a restricting action on the occurrence
of an electronic enabling signal,
wherein:
the enabling signal is generated in response to output signal status of at least
one sensor,
the sensor is an accelerometer arranged to produce an output signal
dependent on acceleration experienced by the pocket,
the output signal initiating generation of the enabling signal when the sensor
output signal indicates that the pocket is undergoing jolting movement.

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6. (Previously presented) The pocket of claim 1 wherein
the pocket is provided with a closable access opening communicating with
interior pocket space and
the restrictor serves to urge the access opening closed on the occurrence of
the enabling signal.

7. (Currently amended) ~~The pocket of claim 1~~ A pocket comprising:
a restrictor that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects into, or removal
of objects from the pocket,
the restrictor being controllable to apply a restricting action on the occurrence
of an electronic enabling signal,
_____ wherein
the pocket includes at least one interior wall portion that delimits interior
pocket space and
the restrictor serves to urge the at least one interior wall portion on occurrence
of the enabling signal so as to reduce interior pocket space volume and to clasp any
objects occupying the interior pocket space.

8. (Currently amended) ~~The pocket of claim 1~~ A pocket comprising:
a restrictor that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects into, or removal
of objects from the pocket,
the restrictor being controllable to apply a restricting action on the occurrence
of an electronic enabling signal,
_____ wherein:
the pocket includes at least two adjacent facing panels, each delimiting interior
pocket space, and
the restrictor serves to urge at least one of the panels towards the other one of
the panels on occurrence of the enabling signal to clasp any objects occupying the
interior pocket space.

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9. (Currently amended) ~~The pocket of claim 6A~~ pocket comprising:
a restrictor that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects into, or removal
of objects from the pocket,
the restrictor being controllable to apply a restricting action on the occurrence
of an electronic enabling signal,
wherein:
the pocket is provided with a closable access opening communicating with
interior pocket space, and
the restrictor serves to urge the access opening closed on the occurrence of
the enabling signal,
the restrictor includes an actuator component disposed in edge portions of the
closable access opening, and
the actuator component undergoing a change in shape on occurrence of the
enabling signal.

10. (Previously presented) The pocket of claim 7 wherein
the restrictor includes an actuator component disposed in the at least one
interior wall portion,
the actuator component undergoing a change in shape on occurrence of the
enabling signal.

11. (Previously presented) The pocket of claim 8 wherein
the restrictor includes an actuator component disposed in at least one of the
panels,
the actuator component undergoing a change in shape on occurrence of the
enabling signal.

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12. (Original) The pocket of claim 9 wherein

the actuator component is comprised of a portion of nickel-titanium alloy which reverts to a pre-determined dimension on being subject to an increase in temperature from a first temperature lower than a transitional temperature to a second temperature higher than a transitional temperature.

13. (Original) The pocket of claim 10 wherein

the actuator component is comprised of a portion of nickel-titanium alloy which reverts to a pre-determined dimension on being subject to an increase in temperature from a first temperature lower than a transitional temperature to a second temperature higher than a transitional temperature.

14. (Original) The pocket of claim 11 wherein

the actuator component is comprised of a portion of nickel-titanium alloy which reverts to a pre-determined dimension on being subject to an increase in temperature from a first temperature lower than a transitional temperature to a second temperature higher than a transitional temperature.

15. (Previously presented) The pocket of claim 12 wherein

the increase in temperature is obtained through the mechanism of Joule heating by passing an electrical current through the nickel-titanium alloy.

16. (Original) The pocket of claim 9 wherein

the actuator component includes a bimetallic strip.

17. (Original) The pocket of claim 10 wherein

the actuator component includes a bimetallic strip.

18. (Original) The pocket of claim 11 wherein

the actuator component includes a bimetallic strip.

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19. (Previously presented) The pocket of claim 1 where in
the restricting action terminates on cessation of the enabling signal.
20. (Currently amended) A restrictor comprising:
a restrictive element that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects into,
or removal of objects from a pocket,
the restrictive element being controllable to apply a restricting action on the
occurrence of an electronic enabling signal,
the restricting action being provided by a change of shape of the restrictive
element.
21. (Currently amended) An object comprising
a pocket that includes
a restrictive element that is configured to restrict the insertion of objects
into, or removal of objects from a pocket,
the restrictive element being controllable to apply a restricting action on
the occurrence of an electronic enabling signal,
the restricting action being provided by a change of shape of the restrictive
element.